

ALL OVER VIRGINIA.

SOCIAL INCIDENTS AND PERSONAL POINTS OF A LENTEN WEEK.

An "Oracle"—Surprises Some Young Folks at Danville—Some Points of Interest from Our Cities and Chief Towns.

Danville.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch) DANVILLE, Va., March 26.—This has been a dull week in society circles and there have been no formal entertainments of any description. The young folks have found some amusement in a quiet evening at home. The "oracle" is a female who announced her presence some time ago, and many men and women of all ages have had their "destinies read." In some instances the oracle has posted in advance and she has some disclosures which she reads on the subjects and gave the boys and girls several jokes to laugh over at the expense of the subjects. It was fun for the young folks but business for the oracle, and she has been fairly coming along.

After Easter there will be a number of amateur entertainments to which the public will be giving with much interest. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall's play, "A Scrap of Paper," will be produced by the best local talent, and will no doubt be a most enjoyable entertainment.

Then comes the cantata, Esther, will also be presented by the musical folks, and that will be a charming affair. Again, the girls of the Danville Military Institute and a number of the girls will give a carriage drill and the officers of the institute will give a military exhibition.

Last Saturday the Ladies' Benevolent Society held a bazaar in the new City Hall for benefit of the Home for the Sick.

Now John L. Hurt is in the city on Friday.

Captain Frank Penn, of Reidsville, N.C., was returning the week.

Mr. J. H. Rhodes, Jr., attended the session of the Grand Council of the Royal Archmasons in Norfolk.

Mr. John G. Claphorn spent Friday in Danville.

Mrs. F. H. Wallace, of Lynchburg, has been visiting Mrs. G. E. Jones.

Mr. J. L. Taylor went to Martinsville on Wednesday.

Mr. W. A. Tuck, of this city, and Miss Alice Morgan, of Halifax county, will be married Saturday.

Miss Anna Morris, of Martinsville, is visiting Miss Minnie Martin, of this city.

Mr. John G. Coxey, of Alexandria, has been taking his father-in-law, Mr. J. P. Batterson, to see him.

Miss Harry J. Clark and Miss Virginia Peacock will be married at Ringgold on the 28th.

Mr. W. W. Watkins, Jr., of Charlotte, is still here visiting his son.

Miss L. H. Proctor, of New York, P. O. Notting, is here during the week.

Miss S. L. Travally is attending the annual session of the National Trade-Mark Association in Cincinnati.

Mr. W. H. Ferguson will represent the Old Fellow at the Grand Lodge next week.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Schofield entered a few friends at tea on Thursday evening.

Miss W. E. Moss, of Greensboro, N.C., is visiting Mrs. William Ayres, Jr.

A LAMAN'S GREAT WORK.

Mr. James E. Schoolfield is doing a great work for the cause of religion. He is a real business man and has large interests. He is a partner in a well-known hardware establishment, and is also a large stockholder in the Western Electric Co. He has a handsome home where he is devotedly attached. But all that, he feels that he has now called upon to preach the gospel, and he has consecrated his time, his talents, and the talents of his wife.

He is a member of the Main Street Methodist church, and does demand work in that church, but in addition to that has been assisting various other churches in this section and conducting services in them. He has given up all compensation for his work.

He is one of the most earnest educational workers I have ever known. His preaching is plain, candid, and searching. He puts religion upon the most possible plane, and his daily life is entirely consistent with his preaching. He is strong and the preaching of such a man is most effective, and all of his sermons have been attended with fruitful results.

Ashland.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch) ASHLAND, Va., March 26.—Major John Page, who has been confined to his home, near Roanoke, for some weeks with a severe cold, is able to drive out.

The Hanover Stock Farm, owned by J. J. Parrot, Esq., met with a severe loss this week. The handsome yearling colt by Hemdale-Amulet, a son of great promise, and an unaccountable way had been broken and had to be killed. The colt was valued at \$3,000.

Mr. H. C. Scott, grand orator, and J. A. Brown, representative of Henry Clay County Royal Arcanum, have returned from the meeting of the Grand Council in this city, showing the institution has made good in this State. The council in this town has 111 members, with several applications on file.

Mr. Burton Marcy has left here to accept a position as engineer in charge of a new section of road on the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Miss J. Lindsay Patton, daughter of Hon. W. J. Leahy, who is in Japan as a missionary, calls for home on the 31st of next month.

Miss Charles T. Child, of Gwathmey, our scientific家, has been appointed and accepted a position of engineer in the Physical Observatory in Washington. He left for his new post this week.

Rev. Alexander Miller, brother of Mr. James Miller, and one of the most brilliant and learned ministers in the Presbyterian Church, has been here. He has been spending a few days with his brother, Mr. W. Young, minister in charge of Ashland Methodist Episcopal church, is conducting a revival in Duncan Chapel. Many of your young people are now converted and joined the church.

Dr. George G. Wiley, a leading physician of Ashland, is visiting Dr. John L. Buchannan.

The Ashland Branch Young Men's Christian Association have a social half over Saturday evening and are having it highly successful and substantially arranged.

The Board of Supervisors are receiving bids and examining the different kinds of contracts with a view of purchasing for county purposes.

Lovingston.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch) LOVINGSTON, Va., March 26.—Mr. Aubrey Pendleton, of Roseland, this county, lost a little child a few days ago, from the effects of a severe cold.

Mr. Daniel Adams, postmaster at Roseland, is dangerously ill.

Mr. Austin Peetles, who has been attending the business college at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., for the past several months, returned to his home, in Lovingston, this week.

Miss Kate Coleman, of Rockfish, is visiting her brother, Mr. J. T. Coleman, of this place.

Mr. David Witt, of Rose Mills, who was paroled on Saturday last, is improving.

Mr. J. R. Peetles, of Lovingston, left on Wednesday for Petersburg, where he will remain.

Misses J. I. Coleman, G. E. Caskie, and B. Whitehead represented the Nelson line at Amherst County Court this week.

Mr. W. V. Sholtens, of Lovingston, went to the Circuit Court on Tuesday, where he sat with relatives.

An interesting marriage, the particulars of which have just reached your correspondent, took place within a few miles of this county, last week. Mr. John H. Moore, aged 16, of the town of Cynthopolis, and Charlotte, and married a girl of 16, the Rev. Mr. Boogs officiating. The license was issued from the Clerk's office before the groom's father, authorizing the Clerk to issue the license. A company of the groom swore in the presence of a few relatives, and the bride had seen the letter from the Clerk to his father.

Mr. J. B. Lane, of Atton, has been called to Cynthopolis to see his father, who has been ill.

Miss Elizabeth Massie, widow of Colonel Thomas J. Massie, died on Wednesday last.

Miss Mary Adams, in the 70th of her age, died on Saturday morning.

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